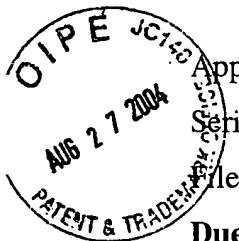


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Applicant: Charles D. Ray Examiner: Manuel A. Mendez
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir/Madam:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet containing Certificate of Mailing (1 pg.).
- ☒ Amendment and Response (8 pgs.);
- ☒ Petition for Two-Month Extension-of-Time (1 pg.)
- ☒ Courtesy copy of Change of Address previously filed on November 21, 2003 (1 pg).
- ☒ The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0471 the amount of **\$210.00** (to cover the two-month extension fee).
- ☒ Return Postcard.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Present Extra	Rate	Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	15	-	20	0.00	x 9.00 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	-	3	0.00	x 43.00 =	\$0.00
[] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED						\$0.00
TOTAL						\$0.00

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 24th day of August, 2004.

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